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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED] NIO, Western Europe

SUBJECT : OPR Study on the UN

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[REDACTED] Attached are four copies of the revised draft of [REDACTED] UN paper. We have incorporated the changes you suggested and a number of revisions recommended by others. The paper, though improved, remains essentially the same in substance and tone. We await any further suggestions you may have, which we will incorporate in a final draft for the DCI, Scali, and selected others.

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Though we considered carefully the suggestions made by ILLEGIB OCI, Western Europe, and have responded to a number, we doubt that we have satisfied them completely. We feel strongly, however, that we have met the requirements of light coordination that best suit an interpretative paper of this kind, and that the note on page 1 should satisfy those who do not feel comfortable with the OPR interpretation. We have no outstanding problems with the other components of OCI, which appear quite pleased with the paper.

I urge that no further attempt to coordinate with OCI be undertaken before we move this paper to its next stage (which will still be a draft). OCI/WE should be given a copy of the version we send to the DCI, Scali, and others. If they then express strong objections, we would solicit a short substantive statement of dissent, which we would flag in the note of the printed version and carry as an appendix.

I also recommend that the Director, INR and the UN Desk at State be given copies for comment at the same time copies are sent out to Scali.

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[redacted] has expressed repeated interest in the progress of the paper, and I have taken the liberty of sending her a copy of the attached version.



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